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SUBJECT: MBFR: OPTION III AIRCRAFT DEFINITION PROBLEM

1. MBFR DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR RUTH ADVISED EMBOFF ON APRIL 2 THAT THE FRG IS STILL STUDYING THE PROBLEM OF THE DEFINITION OF A NUCLEAR AIRCRAFT AS DISCUSSED DURING THE MARCH 20-21 TRILATERALS IN WASHINGTON. RUTH SAID HIS GOVERNMENT HAS NOT YET REACHED ANY FINAL CONCLUSIONS. THE AIR FORCE SECTION OF FMOD IS STILL WORKING ON THE PROBLEM. RUTH SAID THE FRG REQUIRES A FEW MORE DAYS BEFORE PROVIDING US WITH ITS PREFERRED DEFINITION.

2. IN ELABORATING ON THE PROBLEM, RUTH SAID THAT DEFINING AIRCRAFT BY TYPE SEEMS TO BE TOO BROAD AN APPROACH AND WOULD ENCOMPASS ALL CONVENTIONAL AIRCRAFT AS WELL. RUTH THOUGHT THAT THE NUCLEAR TASKING DEFINITION PROVIDED THE MOST FLEXIBILITY. HOWEVER, THE FRG IS NOW TENDING TOWARD THE "MODEL" DEFINITION, WHILE LEANING AS FAR AS POSSIBLE IN THE DIRECTION OF NUCLEAR TASKING.

3. ON THE SUBJECT OF EQUIPMENT LISTS, RUTH REITERATED

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THE FRG PREFERENCE THAT THE LISTS BE AS "DECLARATORY" AS POSSIBLE. HE SAID THE FRG DOES NOT WANT TO BECOME

INVOLVED IN NEGOTIATING LISTS. RUTH STATED THAT THIS
QUESTION WAS NOT DISCUSSED IN MUCH DETAIL IN WASHINGTON,
AND HE WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING FURTHER CLARIFI-
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